Board Attendees: Ileana Alvarez; John Maradiaga; Jose Thomas

Other Board Member Attendees: Matthew Bruno

Staff Attendees: Evelio Torres; Angelo Parrino; Mercy Castiglione; Jackye Russell; Michelle Meilan; Alex Sanchez; Victor Caballero; Sandra Gonzalez; Ana Rodriguez; Ileana Vallejo; Isabel Afanador

I. Welcome & Introductions

Ileana Alvarez

I. Alvarez called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. Quorum was established with three (3) voting members.

II. Approval of Minutes

Ileana Alvarez

Approval of minutes for January 28, 2021

- Motion to approve by J. Maradiaga
- Motion seconded by J. Thomas
- Motion unanimously passed

III. Programmatic Audit

Michelle Meilan

- An overview of the programmatic monitoring that is completed by the Division of Early Learning was provided, that included the scope and methodology. The overall monitoring was positive, with the majority of the elements reviewed resulting in no findings.

IV. Internal Controls

Ileana Vallejo

- Staff also shared Information on the School Readiness program internal controls, that included a very broad overview of all the efforts that are made to ensure that eligibility determination process remains in compliance with state and federal guidelines.

V. Boys & Girls Club of the Keys

Ana Rodriguez

- In response to news reports of potential financial fraud at the Monroe Boys and Girls’ club, and because the club receives School Readiness funding; the loss prevention unit conducted

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a review to identify if any of the funds from the coalition were involved. The review did not find any misappropriation of School Readiness funds.

VI. Public Comments

VII. Meeting Adjourn